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SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please AMEND the last full paragraph on page 10 as follows:

The storage device 34 stores (i) a program 36 for controlling the POS processor 30, and (ii) an inventory database 38 for storing item prices. The program 36 drives the POS processor 30 to operate in a manner known in the art, and particularly to calculate item prices and aggregate those prices to determine purchases purchase prices. The program 36 also includes program elements that may be necessary, such as "device drivers" for interfacing with the card reader 32 and/or computer peripheral devices. Appropriate device drivers and other necessary program elements are known to those skilled in the art, and need not be described in detail herein.